## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

**Group Art Unit:** 

Norbert NIX

Examiner:

Application No.: New Application

Atty. Dkt. No.: 101749-00007

Filed: December 8, 2003

For: METHODS FOR ELIMINATING ERROR SOURCES OF MAGNETIC

SENSORS USED FOR THE MEASUREMENT OF COATING THICKNESS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

December 8, 2003

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fees and examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: